

In claim 3, line 2, please remove the word "substantially" and, after the word "consisting", insert the word --essentially--.

In claim 4, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 5, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 6, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 7, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 8, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 9, line 2, please remove the word "that substantially consists" and, replace with --consisting essentially--.

In claim 10, line 2, please remove the word "substantially" and, after the word "consisting", insert the word --essentially--.

In claim 12, line 2, please remove the word "substantially" and, after the word "consisting", insert the word --essentially--, and in line 5, please remove ", paper".

In claim 13, line 1 please delete the words "-12".

Claim 1 is amended as shown above to include the word "raw" to clarify the nature of the lost circulation and seepage control material. Claim 1 is also amended to add the word "dry" as this is implicitly a dry pellet as opposed to a liquid suspension. Dry is understood in the common sense that, while the pellet may contain small amounts of residual moisture or oil, it is a solid medium as opposed to a suspension or liquid.

Copies of the claim with amendments and clean copies of the amended claims are attached.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.